

INDIANS MAY VOTE

OPINION FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL CRAWFORD.

Allotted Indians Who Have Adopted the White Man's Ways Have the Rights of Citizenship—Half-Bloods May Be Considered Indians, While the Quarter-Bloods Are Considered Whites—Usages Vary in Different States.

Attorney General Crawford, in answer to inquiries from M. F. Parker of the Klamath Indian agency, wrote the following official opinion yesterday, says the Salem Statesman:

Replying to yours of the 4th inst., relative to the status of the so-called Indians, viz.: Half, quarter, etc. blood, at the polls, permit me to say that the question really is whether they are considered Indians, then they have the right to vote if they have severed their tribal relations and have adopted the habits of civilization, or if they received allotments of land under the United States allotment laws relative to Indians.

My opinion to J. W. Evans, assistant superintendent of the Klamath Indian reservation, under date of March 4, 1905, answers the question and holds, in substance, that all Indians who have received land by allotment are citizens of the United States, and entitled to the right to vote, together with all other rights, privileges, and immunities of such citizens, etc., and I cite authorities in said opinion which cover the point.

As to the status of one-fourth-bloods and half-bloods, I am of the opinion that a one-fourth-blood would be considered a white person, and a citizen, and entitled to vote, while a half-blood, if his mother was an Indian woman and his father a white man, would be considered an Indian, the child taking the status of its mother.

I have not the time to thoroughly examine this matter, but in the case of United States vs. Sanders (U. S.) 27 Federal Cases 350, 951. It is held a child partakes of the conditions of the mother, and if the mother is an Indian the child will be so considered within the provisions of the act of 1834, section 25, declaring that the laws of the United States for the punishment of crime in the Indian Territory shall not extend to the crimes committed by one Indian against the person or property of another.

The child of a white woman by an Indian father shall, for the purpose of that act, be deemed of the white race, the conditions of the mother and not the quantum of Indian blood in the veins determining the condition of the offspring, this standard following the common law rule, which was borrowed from the civil law. In the case of *in re Camille* (U. S.) 6 Federal 254; the court holds that "A person of half white and half Indian blood is not a white person within the meaning of this phrase as used in the naturalization laws, but an Indian."

In the Virginia code, section 49, it is provided that "Every person, not a colored person, having one-fourth or more of Indian blood shall be deemed an Indian." However, our statutes contain no provisions upon the question, and therefore I am of the opinion that the courts would hold that any person who has less than one-half Indian blood would be considered a white person.

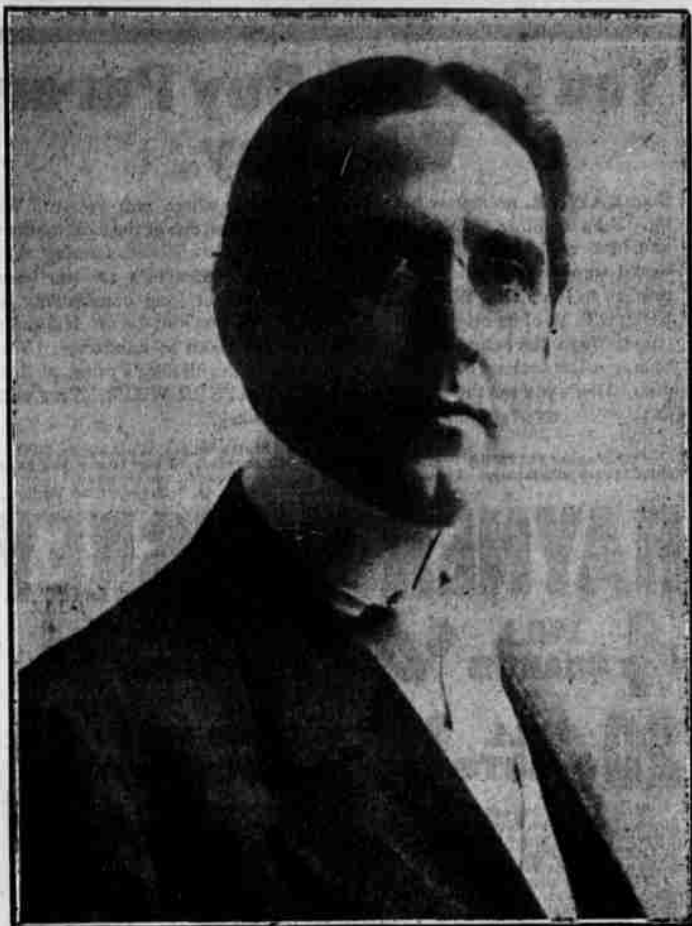
The state of Indiana has held that all persons recognized as Indians by the Indians themselves, and who are stamped as such by birth, education and language, and has three-eighths Indian blood, are Indians.

In *Keith vs. United States*, 58 Pac. 507, 8 Okla. 446, it is held that a person that was born from a marriage between a white father adopted into an Indian tribe and a half-breed woman is not an Indian within the meaning of the act of September 8, 1887, granting land to Indians not residing on reservations.

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Kennewick is opposite Pasco, 250 miles from Portland by water and 393 by the Northern Pacific. Citizens of that place have succeeded in blasting out the channel at Homily rapids, permitting the passage of boats at all seasons of the year, and are now erecting a large wharf.

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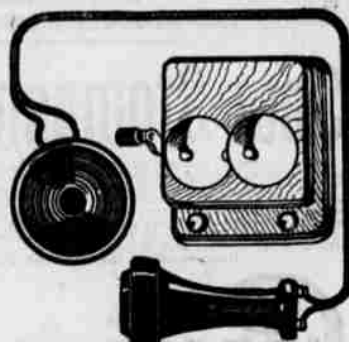
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In his message to the special session of the Illinois legislature, just convened, Governor Deneen called attention to the recent decision of the supreme court which declared unconstitutional the law passed by the last legislature, and said great confusion would ensue unless a new primary election law were speedily enacted.

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